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Technical regulation on liferafts for rented craft

In pursuance of section 1(3), sections 3-5, section 17(5) and section 32(4) of the Act on Safety at Sea, cf. Consolidated Act no. 627 of 26 July 2002, as amended by Act no. 1173 of 19 December 2003, Act no. 1231 of 27 September 2003 and Act no. 1465 of 22 December 2004 and by authority of the Danish Minister of Economic and Business Affairs by Order no. 154 of 10 March 2005, the following provisions are laid down:

Application

Section 1. This regulation shall apply to liferafts required to be carried by rental craft.

Definitions

Section 2. For the purposes of this regulation, “rented craft” shall mean a recreational craft hired out without a master.

Equivalents and recognition

Section 3. Where this regulation requires a particular fitting, material, appliance or apparatus, or type thereof, to be fitted or carried in a ship or a particular provision to be made, the Danish Maritime Authority may allow any other fitting, material, appliance or apparatus, or type thereof, to be fitted or carried that has been legally manufactured or marketed in another EU member State or in Turkey or that has been legally manufactured in another EFTA member State which is a contracting Party to the EEA agreement with an equivalent level of protection as the Danish standards, or any other provision to be made in the ship if it is as effective as that required under this regulation.

Subsection 2. The Danish Maritime Authority shall accept tests carried out by recognised test institutes, including test institutes in other EU member States, in EFTA member States which are contracting Parties to the EEA agreement and in Turkey offering appropriate and satisfactory guarantees of a technical, professional and independent nature.

Construction and equipment

Section 4. Where the Danish Maritime Authority prescribes a liferaft approved for use in rented craft, the liferaft shall comply with the provisions on inflatable liferafts of the LSA Code; however, the liferaft may be modified in accordance with the following:

- 1) The liferaft need not be designed for being stowed at a height above 8 metres.
- 2) The liferaft need not be fitted with thermal insulation of the bottom and top.
- 3) The painter need not be longer than 10 metres.
- 4) The equipment of each liferaft shall as a minimum consist of:

- .1 One buoyant quoit attached to at least 30 metre buoyant line;
- .2 One rescue knife having a buoyant handle attached to the liferaft by an lanyard and stowed in a clearly marked pocket on the liferaft near the point at which the painter is attached to the liferaft;
- .3 One buoyant bailer;
- .4 Two sponges;
- .5 One sea anchor with an elastic line attached to the liferaft in such a way that the liferaft will lie oriented to the wind in the most stable manner;
- .6 Two buoyant paddles;
- .7 One whistle or equivalent sound signal;
- .8 Two rocket parachute flares of approved type;
- .9 Three red hand flares of approved type;
- .10 One waterproof electric torch suitable for Morse signalling together with one spare set of batteries and one spare bulb in a waterproof container;
- .11 One medicine chest type CR for use in lifeboats and liferafts;
- .12 Six doses of anti-seasickness medicine for each person the liferaft is permitted to accommodate;
- .13 Watertight receptacles containing a totals of 100 ml of fresh water for each person the liferaft is permitted to accommodate;
- .14 One rustproof graduated drinking vessel;
- .15 Seasickness bags;
- .16 Instructions on how to survive in the liferaft;
- .17 Instructions for immediate action;
- .18 One card with life-saving signals on waterproof material;
- .19 One repair kit for repairing punctures; and
- .20 One air pump or bellows.

Section 5. Inflatable liferafts for use in rented craft shall be type-approved by the Danish Maritime Authority or on behalf of the Danish Maritime Authority by a recognised test institute, cf. however section 3(2).

Penalty and entry into force, etc.

Section 6. Contraventions of sections 4 and 5 shall be punishable by fine or imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year.

Subsection 2. The penalty may be increased to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 2 years if:

- 1) the contravention has caused damage to life or health or risk of such damage;
- 2) an injunction or order has previously been issued in connection with the same or equivalent situations; or
- 3) the contravention has produced or has been intended to produce financial benefits to the contravener or others.

Subsection 3. It shall be considered especially aggravating circumstances if the contravention has resulted in damage to the life or health, or risk of such damage, to young persons below the age of 18, cf. subsection 2, item 1.

Subsection 4. If the benefit obtained through the contravention is not confiscated, the size of the financial benefit obtained or intended shall be taken into account when determining the fine, including supplementary fines.

Subsection 5. Companies etc. (legal personalities) may be liable to punishment according to the provisions of chapter 5 of the Penal Code.

Section 7. This regulation shall enter into force on 1 December 2005.

Subsection 2. Technical regulation of 7 June 1991 on inflatable liferafts shall be repealed.

Subsection 3. This regulation shall not apply to ships registered in Greenland.

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